FISCAL NOTE

TO: Chief Clerk of the Senate

Chief Clerk of the House

FROM: James A. Davenport, Executive Director

DATE: March 20, 1995

SUBJECT: HB 177 - SB 317

This bill, if enacted, will require local education agencies to use basic education funds to employ a public school nurse or to contract with the Tennessee public school nurse program for provision of school health services.

Under current law, there is included in the Tennessee basic education program an amount of money sufficient to fund one (1) full-time public school nurse position for each 3,000 students or one (1) full-time position for each local education agency, whichever is greater.

The fiscal impact from enactment of this bill is estimated to be an increase in local government* expenditures to the extent such funds are used for school nurses which would have been used for other purposes in absence of the bill. Such increase cannot reasonably be determined but can reasonably be estimated to exceed \$100,000.

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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*Article II, Section 24 of the Tennessee Constitution provides that: *no law of general application shall impose increased expenditure requirements on cities or counties unless the General Assembly shall provide that the state share in the cost.*